

PAPERS CAN'T BUY PASSES WITH ADS

Quietus Given to Time-Honored Exchange of Space for Travel.

WILL APPEAL TO CONGRESS

Editorial Association Delegates Before the Interstate Commerce Commission.

The Interstate Commerce Commission stands pat on its interpretation of the railroad rate law that newspapers cannot exchange advertising for transportation.

A committee representing the National Editorial Association had a hearing before the commission yesterday, in which the subject was fully and freely discussed. The association holds that the ruling of the commission abrogates the right of contract, and that a newspaper and a railroad have a perfect right to enter into a legitimate exchange arrangement.

Chairman Knapp, of the commission, stated unequivocally that anything with a variable value could not legally be a medium of exchange. "I would regard," said he, "with grave suspicion, any contract entered into by a railroad for advertising for which payment is to be made in transportation."

J. E. Jenkins, of Sterling, Kan., in behalf of the association, asked whether it would not be permissible for a newspaper to enter into a contract for advertising with a railroad and then, before payment should be made, to draw on that railroad for the amount of the contract, in mileage books or straight tickets. Chairman Knapp said he did not feel that he should answer the question at this time.

In response to an inquiry, he explained that the commission had no authority over the matter of railroads exchanging transportation for advertising strictly within a State. It is understood that the association will carry the case before Congress.

TURFMAN MADDEN'S SUIT AGAIN BEFORE COURT

CINCINNATI, Dec. 15.—The long drawn out litigation between John E. Madden, the noted turfman and his former wife, now Mrs. L. V. Bell, was renewed today when Judge James B. Swing, in common pleas court, heard arguments over the motion made by Mrs. Bell's attorney, Charles W. Baker, of this city, to strike from the records the motion of Madden's attorneys, that the order of the court giving Mrs. Bell \$250 per month alimony be annulled. Judge Swing said tonight that he would render a decision next Tuesday or Wednesday.

Boys Are Messengers, Girls Waitresses Here

Investigation of Child Labor Conditions in District Shows Majority of Lads Do Errands, While Maids Serve at Tables.

Child labor in the District of Columbia is the subject of an interesting bulletin prepared under the supervision of Dr. Joseph A. Hill, chief of the division of revision and results of the Census Bureau. The bulletin forms a chapter in the more comprehensive report on the occupations of women and children.

Early publication of this part of the report relative to the District is prompted by the fact that Congress is considering the question of enacting a local child labor law.

One Out of Thirteen.
The material for the study of child labor in the District has been obtained from the schedules of the twelfth census. That census showed 2,114 children in the District from ten to fifteen years of age engaged in gainful occupations. They constituted 7.8 per cent of the total number of children of that age. In other words, about one child out of thirteen within these age limits is a breadwinner.

A classification of the child breadwinners in the District by race and nativity shows that 1,066, or a little more than half the total number, were white children, and that 803, or almost two-fifths the total number, were white children of native parentage.

It is found, however, that of the total number of white children in the District, 5.9 per cent are breadwinners, while of the total colored children 11.3

per cent are breadwinners. The child breadwinners enumerated in the District include 1,365 boys and 749 girls. The contrast between the employment of boys and of girls is most marked for the children of native white parents.

What They Do.
Tables show that there is a wide range of occupations in which children in the District are employed. For boys, the leading occupation is that of messenger and errand and office boy. Considerable numbers of boys were returned as laborers, as draymen, hackmen, and teamsters, as servants and waiters, clerks and copyists, and as salesmen. For girls, by far the most important occupation is that of servant or waitress.

Comparing the District of Columbia with other localities, it is found it has the same percentage of child breadwinners as Boston.

A study is made of 839 families having 888 child breadwinners 10 to 14 years of age. The size of these families varied from 2 to 18. The average size of all the families was 6.2; of the white families, 6.3, and of the colored families, 6.1.

Illiteracy among the children is another subject considered. Of 1,507 child breadwinners 10 to 20 years of age, 133 or 8.8 per cent were illiterate. Among colored children, 15.9 per cent were illiterate.

FOOD SHOW ENDS; GENUINE SUCCESS

Last night, the closing evening of the Food Show in Convention Hall, was the most successful of the entire period during which the exhibition has been conducted. The crowds were never before so merry, so cosmopolitan, or so intent on sampling the foodstuffs.

Beneath the clustered lights and among the festooned booths the people moved incessantly, eating here and there or chatting with their friends.

The managers of the show expressed themselves as very pleased with the whole exhibition, but especially with the success of the exhibit of the closing night.

WIRE THIEVES BUSY.
The Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Company reported to the police yesterday that 400 pounds of copper wire have been stolen from its track equipment at Linden, Md., and that 150 pounds have been abstracted from its storehouse at Takoma Park.

JUDGE PUTS BAN ON MOTHER-IN-LAW

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Dec. 15.—"No woman should be compelled to live with her mother-in-law. Even if she did agree to do so before marriage she has a perfect right to break that agreement. If I were a woman I would leave a man who tried to compel me to live with his mother."

Judge J. A. Evans was righteously indignant and expressed his opinion in regard to mothers-in-law in no gentle terms. The occasion was the hearing of a desertion and non-support case brought against George H. Smith by his wife.

SAVE MUCH TROUBLE.
Agent—This is the automobile you want. You never have to crawl under it to fix it.
Sparker—You don't?
Agent—No. If the slightest thing goes wrong with the mechanism it instantly turns bottom side up.—Puck.

ASK INVESTIGATION OF LABOR CONDITIONS

Miss Jane Addams Comes Here to Urge Congress to Action.

Champions of the movement for investigation of the industrial, social, moral, educational, and physical condition of women and child workers in the United States will make a strong effort this session to get Congress to appropriate sufficient money for this purpose.

Miss Jane Addams, of Hull House, and Miss McDowell, the Chicago settlement worker, have been in Washington lately in the interest of this investigation, and while here conferred with members of the House and the Senate.

President Roosevelt, in his annual message at the opening of this Congress, recommended that provision be made for such an investigation by the Department of Commerce and Labor.

Bill Is on Calendar.
A bill authorizing expenditure of \$300,000 for this purpose has been reported out of the Labor Committee of the House, and now is on the calendar. The Senate Committee on Education and Labor has reported the same bill out, but has stricken the appropriation in it.

Senator Doolittle introduced the bill in the Senate, and he will urge its passage after the holidays.

Advocates of the investigation say that the rapid increase in the number of women employed in factories and elsewhere has given rise to many serious social questions which are of national importance, because they threaten the vigor of the coming generation.

The last census showed more than 5,000,000 women engaged in gainful occupations, their average wage being less than \$279 a year. More than 50 per cent of them were not twenty-four years old. The census also disclosed that "the proportion of women employed in manufactures is increasing more rapidly than that of men."

Census Doesn't Tell All.
It is urged by the advocates of the investigation that the census does not disclose what the sanitary conditions of the employment in which women are engaged are, their hours of labor, what the effect of their work is on the morals of young girls, on the health of women, upon their homes, upon their children, upon the wage-earning power of their husbands, upon family desertion, upon the birth rate and marriage rate, upon the industrial displacement of men by women.

Protective legislation for women already has been undertaken in many States on the ground that their presence in certain employments causes immorality or injuriously affects the health of women. Such legislation by the Federal Government will be urged by the advocates of the proposed investigation, after that investigation has disclosed just what conditions are.

DESIRES AUTOPSY FOR HIS BROTHER

Says Charles Simmons Was Hurt in Barroom Fight.

Although Coroner Nevitt and the police are satisfied that the death of Charles Simmons, thirty-eight years old, which occurred at his home, 1043 Thirty-third street northwest, yesterday, was due to natural causes, his brother, Walter L. Simmons, is desirous of having an autopsy performed.

Dr. A. J. McIntyre, of 355 M street northwest, who attended Simmons, told the coroner that he had treated him for cirrhosis hepatitis, and that death was due to that disease and congestion of the lungs.

Mrs. Simmons and the dead man's brother told the coroner that he had been injured in a fight in a barroom on M street about two weeks ago, and that he had been confined to his bed ever since. An autopsy was requested.

Acting upon Dr. Nevitt's recommendation, Dr. McIntyre will not issue the death certificate until so instructed by the coroner.

SELECT DEBATERS FOR ANNUAL EVENT

Team From George Washington University to Go to Cincinnati.

Last night at the law school of the George Washington University the third and final preliminary debate was held, at which the team was chosen which will represent George Washington University in the debate to be held in Cincinnati with the Cincinnati law school on March 1, 1907. The debate this year is a return engagement of the George Washington University with the University of Cincinnati.

At the first preliminary trial held in November to secure the best debaters of the George Washington University to represent that school at Cincinnati, fourteen men were selected. On Saturday night, December 8, these men were given a second trial, from which eight contestants were chosen. These men were the only ones eligible for the third and final trial held last night.

The successful contestants were C. Louis Allen, of South Dakota; Albert C. Agnew, of the law department, and Edward P. Gates, of the collegiate department. E. O. Schreiber will accompany the team as alternate.

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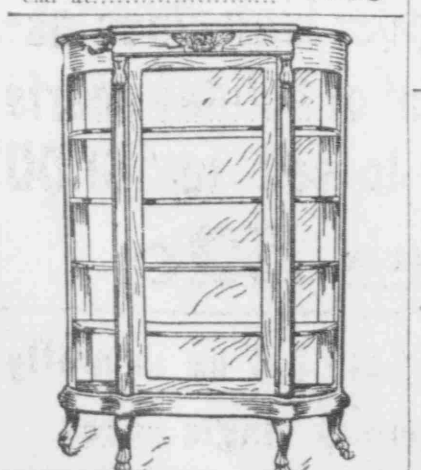
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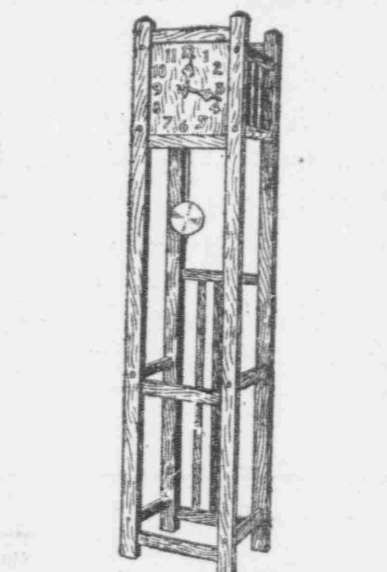
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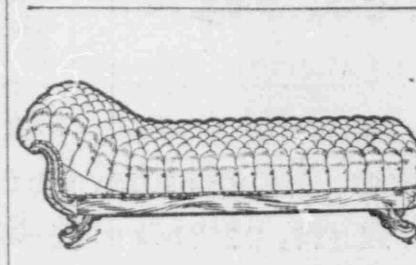
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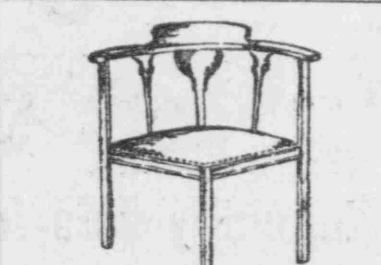
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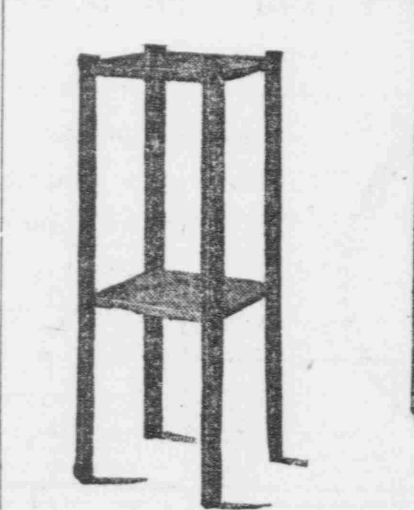
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